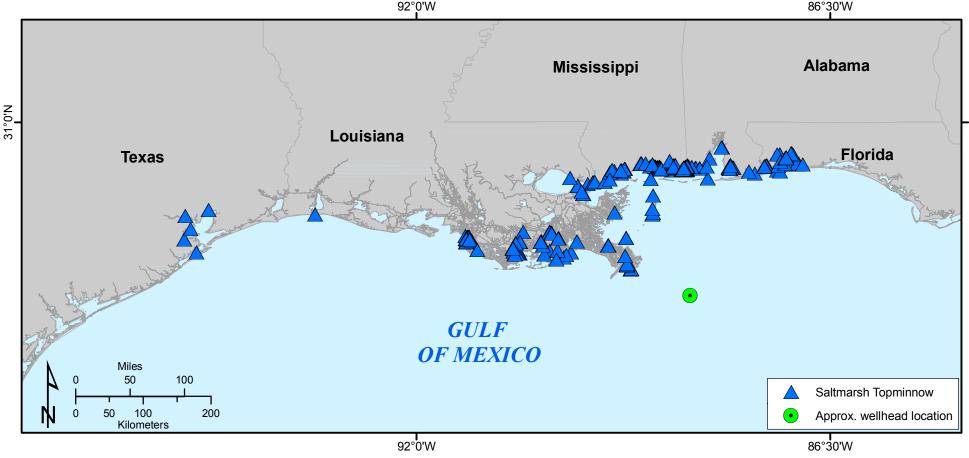


U.S. Gulf of Mexico Saltmarsh Topminnow Habitat



The map depicts Saltmarsh Topminnow, *Fundulus jenkinsi* (Evermann 1892), habitat and range in relation to the BP Deep Sea Horizon oil wellhead. The Saltmarsh Topminnow is listed by NOAA as a species of special concern due to it rarity and habitat threats. They also appear on multiple state lists. These fish are typically found in the high and intermediate marsh zones where fresh and salt waters meet. Small, interconnected tidal creek systems seem important for this fish to persist. The direct impact of oil on this uncommon species and its habitat is unknown.

This map is preliminary, for informational purposes only.

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